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AGREEMENT

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1. THERE FOLLOWS THE AGREED MINUTES TO SUBJECT AGREEMENT.
2. QUOTE: 1. WITH RESPECT TO ARTICLE IV OF THE AGREEMENT, THE UNITED STATES REPRESENTATIVE TOOK NOTE OF THE STATEMENT OF THE KOREAN REPRESENTATIVE THAT THE KOREAN POPULATION AS A DEVELOPING FISHING NATION DEPENDED HEAVILY ON FISH AS A MAJOR SOURCE OF ANIMAL PROTEIN, AND AGREED THAT THIS FACTOR COULD BE CONSIDERED, AS APPROPRIATE, IN DETERMINATIONS OF ANY KOREAN ALLOCATION.

3. 2. IN CONNECTION WITH ARTICLE IX OF THE AGREEMENT,

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THE GOVERNMENT OF THE UNITED STATES NOTED THE REQUEST

OF THE GOVERNMENT OF THE REPUBLIC OF KOREA THAT IN CARRYING OUT THEIR RESPONSIBILITIES UNDER UNITED STATES LAW, UNITED STATES OFFICIALS WOULD TAKE ONLY SUCH ACTIONS AS NECESSARY TO FULFILL THEIR OBLIGATIONS UNDER SUCH LAWS

AND REGULATIONS, PAYING DUE REGARD TO ECONOMIC LOSS SUCH ACTION MAY INFLICT ON VESSELS OF THE REPUBLIC OF KOREA IN OPERATION.

4. 3. WITH RESPECT TO ARTICLE XI, THE UNITED STATES REPRESENTATIVE TOOK NOTE OF THE STATEMENT OF THE KOREAN REPRESENTATIVE THAT THE GOVERNMENT OF THE REPUBLIC OF KOREA IS NOT PRESENTLY CAPABLE OF FULLY COMPLYING WITH THE DATA REQUIREMENTS OF ANNEX II. REPRESENTATIVES OF THE TWO GOVERNMENTS CONSIDERED THAT THESE DATA REPORTING REQUIREMENTS COULD BE MODIFIED FOR A TRANSITIONAL PERIOD OF ONE YEAR FROM THE ENTRY INTO FORCE OF THE AGREEMENT. DURING THIS TRANSITIONAL PERIOD, WITH REGARD TO ANNEX II (1) (A), REPORTS OF CATCHES BY VESSELS OF THE REPUBLIC OF KOREA WOULD BE PROVIDED UNDER THE FOLLOWING SPECIES GROUPINGS:

ALASKA POLLOCK  
SABLEFISH  
PACIFIC COD  
PACIFIC OCEAN PERCH  
FLATFISHES  
OTHER FISHES

FURTHERMORE, WITH RESPECT TO ANNEX II (1) (B), DURING THE TRANSITIONAL PERIOD, REPORTS OF CATCHES BY VESSELS OF THE REPUBLIC OF KOREA WOULD BE PROVIDED IN THE FORM OF ALL SPECIES TAKEN IN EACH INPFC STATISTICAL AREA, RATHER THAN BY SPECIES GROUPS. ALL OTHER PROVISIONS OF ANNEX II WOULD REMAIN APPLICABLE.

5. REPRESENTATIVES OF BOTH GOVERNMENTS AGREED THAT THE SCIENTISTS OF THE UNITED STATES AND THE REPUBLIC OF KOREA WILL CONSULT DURING THE TRANSITIONAL YEAR WITH A VIEW TO IMPROVING DATA REPORTING CAPABILITIES OF THE LIMITED OFFICIAL USE

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REPUBLIC OF KOREA AND WOULD, AT THE END OF THE TRANSITIONAL YEAR, JOINTLY CONSIDER THE APPROPRIATENESS OF A FURTHER EXTENSION OF THE PERIOD DURING WHICH MODIFIED DATA MAY BE PROVIDED.

6. 4. WITH RESPECT TO THE CONDUCT OF LOADING OPERATIONS BY FISHING VESSELS OF THE REPUBLIC OF KOREA, THE

UNITED STATES REPRESENTATIVE STATED THAT ANY PROVISIONS  
CONCERNING LOADING AREAS WOULD BE PROVIDED FOR IN  
PERMITS OR THROUGH OTHER APPLICABLE INSTRUMENTS.  
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